

STALWART VETERANS OF THE OLD EIGHTH GET REAL WELCOME

Lads Who Beat the Famous Prussian Guard Home at Last CITY WILDLY ACCLAIMS MEN Forty Arrive Too Late to Join in Pageant

With an abandon altogether formidable Harrisburg flung itself with whole-hearted and unshaken enthusiasm into the welcome to its returning soldiers of the One Hundred and Twelfth Infantry last evening. No other thing mattered. Observers, garrulous or entirely without prejudice, will tell you to-day that in scarcely a home last evening was there a dish washed on time; neither was there deliberation in eating. What did it matter if the coffee smirked of the flavor of water, or the three-minute egg had long been detained. The boys were coming home. That was the main thing after all. Besides, when the good housewife was preparing the supper the whistles were screaming, and bells all over town clanking out the tidings that the Pennsylvania Railroad train bearing the city's brave ones had reached Lancaster and was on its last leg homeward. The call was from the street, for soon the boys would be marching over the city's highways and into the arms of those who, with shining eyes and choking voice, had waited long for their return.

And so it came to pass that on the May day evening the streets were jammed with a jubilant throng that craned its neck, to get a sight of the soldiers, that fastened its eye on each man in khaki to see if he was the one. From thousands of windows there were cheers of welcome and the clapping together of hands that would not be still. Down on the street could be seen the mother, sister or sweetheart, walking by the side of her soldier, or keeping close to him in spite of the traffic warning, for everything else was of minor import. Automobile horns shrieked out in a noisy acclaim, firehouse bells proclaimed the presence of the guests, and flags held high in air by men, women and children were symbols of the celebration. In Market street, from the entrance to the Pennsylvania Railroad station to the river front, the crowd probably was greatest. The people who could not press their way through the throng fell back into Second, Third and Fourth streets to await their opportunity for a sight of the fighters.

Nothing Else Mattered

Suburban dwellers had reason to feel glad they lived far from the maddening crowd, for they were the only ones who could walk to the scene of rejoicing. On Sixth street a score of cars with deafening impetuosity rushed past waiting crowds at street intersections. Only one, No. 651, hesitated at times and that because of a flat wheel and the unwillingness of the trolleyman to risk jumping from the rails. But the others, glory be, they just sailed by with the air of racing automobiles, jammed to the doors with people who looked out the windows and gave their less fortunate neighbors the laugh. At Sixth and Reily streets a group of Red Cross women waited patiently for an hour for a trolley that would take them in, but none came. Finally an obliging chauffeur allowed them to pile into his machine for the trip down town. Men whose tired feet held them back at last made the best of it and walked. Women, some others stoutly, concentrated themselves by walking as far south as Boas street, where they waited for the parade; and they saw them. And they sat for their eyes filled with tears as they beheld troopers clasp tightly by their dear ones. "It's all right," said a brave little woman at Second and Foster streets. "My boy will soon be home. He's on the water now. It won't be long until

Some Hearts Are Heavy

There were heavy hearts, too, for there were hundreds in the crowds whose boys did not come back. Some of them still were in France, others slept under its soil, while others waited in hospitals for their hurts to heal. They looked with longing eyes on the happy boys who had been released from service and their voices broke and their eyes filled with tears as they beheld troopers clasp tightly by their dear ones. "It's all right," said a brave little woman at Second and Foster streets. "My boy will soon be home. He's on the water now. It won't be long until

THE WEATHER

For Harrisburg and vicinity: Unsettled, probably rain to-night and Friday; cooler to-night and moderate temperature about 48 degrees.

For Eastern Pennsylvania: Probably rain to-night and Friday; cooler in north portion to-night; moderate north to east winds.

River

No material changes are likely to occur in river stages in the next twenty-four hours. A disturbance approaching from the southwest may cause some, possibly all, of the streams of the system to rise Friday. Stage of about 4 1/2 feet is indicated for Harrisburg Friday morning.

40 GET HOME TOO LATE FOR BIG PARADE

Forty members of the Headquarters Company of the One Hundred and Twelfth Infantry arrived home last night on an express train from Philadelphia about 7 o'clock, too late for the parade and much disappointed over this fact. The men were held up to the last minute. The payrolls had not been completed in time to pay the men, supply them with their discharge papers and to put them through the complete process of demobilization in time for them to take passage on the special train home. As soon as the men received their discharges they boarded automobiles and raced at top speed to the Broad Street station in Philadelphia and boarded an express train about to leave for this city.

BIG TRANSPORT BRINGS LOCAL MEN INTO HOME PORT

Harrisburg Officers Tell of Heroic Deeds of Men Under Fire

Many more Harrisburg men arrived in home port yesterday when the great transport, *Liberator*, steamed up the Delaware and docked at Philadelphia with a total of 2,480 enlisted men and twenty-nine officers of the One Hundred and Third Ammunition Train, the One Hundred and Third Supply Train, the Hundred and Third Field Signal Battalion, Company F of the One Hundred and Third Engineers and the Twenty-eighth Division theatrical troupe.

Many of the men were members of Company A of the One Hundred and Third Ammunition Train, which was organized almost altogether in this city and was commanded for time by Captain H. A. Spodner, an employee of the Telegraph.

It was a deckload of crazy youngsters—just gleeful, foolish "kids." The *Liberator* brought home late yesterday afternoon. The cargo, if any were there to see it, curled their lips in scorn at the sight of so many squirming figures, not unlike monkeys as they clambered along the rail or nimbly clambered in the rigging, and doubled and leaped in all sorts of foolish antics, and shouted all sorts of foolish things at several thousand equally foolish and equally joyous relatives in the greeting boats. Schoolchildren were more than plentiful, college boys never yelled so lustily.

Served Long and Hard

Lieutenant Colonel H. S. Williams, of Phoenixville, commander of the One Hundred and Third Ammunition Train, was the senior officer of the ship, and his adjutant was Major George Ross, of Doylestown. Colonel Williams has continuously held his command, having organized the train, which, unlike other units, did not exist before the border campaign. The train is made up of four motor companies, driving trucks and three caisson companies, driving caissons, or horse-drawn vehicles. Both are used to serve both artillery and infantry with ammunition. The train served the entire division. When the artillery was detached for Belgian service, two caisson companies of the train went with it, and this is the reason that the train has the unique distinction of being the only unit which has seen service on every front.

THOUSAND GIRLS TO TAKE PART IN PARK PAGEANT

Returned Soldiers Specially Invited to Attend Community Exercises

More than a thousand girls are expected to take part in the "Girls' Stunt" night that has been arranged for next Tuesday evening at 7.30 o'clock in Reservoir Park under the auspices of the War Camp Community Service.

The program will include ten-minute entertainments by a number of Harrisburg girl organizations. There will be dancing numbers, chorus work and drill exercises. General plans were outlined at a meeting of the general committee and sponsors at a meeting at the Penn-Harris yesterday afternoon.

Returned Harrisburg soldiers have been extended a special invitation to be in attendance as the guests of honor. They are to be accorded

THREE GIANT AIR AND WATER BIRDS START ON FLIGHT

First Trans-Atlantic Trip Begins From Rockaway Beach This Morning

TRIP TO BE 540 MILES

Commander Tower in First Plane to Leave on Journey

ESCORTED BY SQUADRON

Four-Leaf Clover Given Each Man When Start is Made at Ten O'clock

By Associated Press.

New York, May 8.—The first transatlantic flight was begun when three Navy-Curtiss hydroplanes left the government's air station at Rockaway Beach at 10 a. m. today on the first leg of the journey—Rockaway to Halifax, a distance of 540 miles.

Commander Tower Lead.

The N. C. 3 with Commander John H. Tower as chief of the expedition, was the first plane to take to the air. The N. C. 1, with Lieut. Commander P. N. L. Bellinger, and the N. C. 4, with Lieut. Commander A. C. Read as the commanding officer, were close behind the N. C. 3.

The planes were escorted to sea by a squadron of navy scout planes. Proceeding northeastward, the trio of giant air and water birds should reach Halifax before nightfall, barring mishaps. Since the route runs 600 miles to Tennessee, 1,350 miles to Azores, another 800 miles to Portugal and on to Plymouth, England.

Squadron Turns East

After rounding Rockaway Point the squadron turned east, heading for Point Lookout, which is the tip of Long Island, where the course will bend northeast to Chatham, Mass., on the elbow of Cape Cod, thence continuing over a long stretch of coastal waters to Halifax.

When the planes were fully a mile away, the even toned roar of their motors assured officers that they were working perfectly. The escorting scout planes turned back about three miles from Rockaway and the three transatlantic fliers sped away on their great adventure.

About 1,200 persons, including the 1,000 officers and men of the naval air station, watched the three great planes rise from the water and soar out over Jamaica bay.

No elaborate ceremony marked the start. The only thing of the kind was the presentation of a four leaf clover to each of the crew by Captain N. A. Irwin of the aviation section of the naval bureau of operations.

American Legion Opens Three-Day Session With Roosevelt Son in Chair

St. Louis, May 8.—The American Legion, composed of men in the military or naval service of the government during the war, opened a three-day session here to-day with the late President Roosevelt as its representative practically every State in the Union, present. Lieutenant Colonel Theodore Roosevelt of New York, presided.

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MEETING POSTPONED

The Child Welfare organization meeting which was to have been held this evening at Fahnstock Hall, is postponed until next week, the date to be announced later.

Why Not Establish It as a Permanent Institution?



NEWS ITEM: WHILE THEY HAVE BEEN WAITING FOR THEIR DISCHARGE, SOME OF THE DOUGHBOYS HAVE BEEN USING THEIR IDLE TIME BY INSTRUCTING L. W. W. AND BOLSHIEVYK MEETINGS IN THE ART OF SINGING THE NATIONAL ANTHEM

EIGHT WHO PLEAD GUILTY TO RAID CHARGES FINED

Pearl Wilson, Paying \$400, Is Sentenced the Heaviest

Eight men and women arrested in the recent Federal raid here were fined a total of \$1,425 in Federal court late yesterday, with Judge Charles B. Witmer presiding. The largest of these fines was \$400, paid by Pearl Wilson.

Robert Long, Middletown, was fined \$300, as was Ella Burke; Katie Smith was sentenced to pay \$25; Elsie Straley, \$50; Annie Anderson, \$200; Dallas Harris, \$50, and Mary Nelson, \$100.

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Wilson to Remain in France During Fifteen Days Allotted Enemy

By Associated Press.

Paris, May 8.—There is no indication that President Wilson's contemplated hastening his return because of the convocation of Congress on May 19, and he will undoubtedly remain here through the period of fifteen days allotted the Germans for consideration of the peace terms, probably until the treaty is signed.

In case the negotiations are prolonged by suggestions advanced by the Germans, it is possible he may forego the satisfaction of signing the treaty and return home. It is expected that he will send a message to be read in his absence.

\$90,000,000 TO RUN STATE GOVT. NEXT TWO YEARS

Governor Sproul Outlines Necessities and Sees Revenue to Meet Demands

Ninety millions of dollars is the irreducible minimum—the least amount of money—that can be appropriated by the present Legislature to suffice for the State's needs within the next two years, Governor Sproul said to-day. This figure includes liberal appropriations for increases of teachers' salaries.

Increased revenue within the next two years will be ample to enable the State to make appropriations that extend during this session, the Governor believes. While the revenue in some instances will be reduced in other cases he points out, it will be increased.

The Governor referred to the Macreig bills now receiving consideration as one that will increase the revenue of the State to a considerable extent. This bill put a tax on self-insured corporations who have not taken advantage of state insurance under the Workmen's Compensation measure.

Lines of Poles in Walnut Street Are to Come Down

City Electrician Clark E. Diehl, has been assured that the line of tall poles in Walnut street on the south side, used by the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, for its long distance lines, and extending from Front street to the Pennsylvania railroad will be removed not later than August 1. Conductors for underground cables have been placed in Walnut street, and the wires overhead will soon be replaced by an underground system.

The Harrisburg Light and Power Company is placing cable underground now and soon will begin to remove some of the poles in the Federal Square district.

OWNERS OF DIRTY YARDS ARRESTED BY HEALTH BOARD

John Yingst Fined Ten Dollars; Fifteen Others on the List

Charged by city health authorities with failure to keep his yard clean, with the result that it became a public nuisance in the neighborhood, John Yingst, 1132 North Front street, has been fined \$10 and costs at a hearing before Alderman E. J. Hilton.

A number of witnesses were heard, each telling about the condition of Yingst's yard, which, it is alleged, contains piles of rubbish and refuse.

Fifteen other suits have been brought by the city health department for similar violations, Dr. J. M. J. Raunick declaring that in each instance property owners and tenants were notified to clean up the premises, but failed to do so, entirely ignoring the official order. The suits are being instituted as part of the city's annual "clean-up and fix-up" campaign.

"We are determined to end the back-yard nuisance and the residents who have such conditions existing on their premises are liable to prosecution," Dr. Raunick said. "A few days ago at another office a fine and costs were imposed on one offender and costs of prosecution on another. More hearings will be held during the next few days and more suits may be brought."

What action will be taken to have cleaned the vacant lots which are covered with rubbish has not been decided by the department. H. F. Sheesley, superintendent of the bureau of ash and garbage inspection, said that it would cost about \$1,000 if the city were to undertake the work, and intimated that he may request Council to make an additional appropriation of that amount so that it can be done.

Workmen and teams employed for the clean-up drive this week are on schedule and will finish the work by noon Saturday, he reported. Since Monday they have collected 295 loads of ashes and refuse, or 1,378 cubic yards.

An extra team and another man were added to the forces to-day, so that the schedule can be maintained for the remainder of the week. Beginning next Monday the regular ash collection work will be resumed on the fifteen-day schedule.

COUNCIL OF FOUR IS MOLDING TREATY FOR GERMAN ALLIES

German-Austria Is First to Know on What Terms She May Resume Her Place Among Peaceful Nations

SERIOUS DISORDERS BREAK OUT IN CHINA OVER PEACE TREATY

By Associated Press.

With the draft of the peace treaty with Germany now in the hands of the plenipotentiaries of that nation for consideration, the Paris peace conference is turning its attention to the making of peace with the other central powers. Germany has given no official intimation of her reply. A courier is well on the way to Berlin with the treaty.

Supreme executive body of the conference has again become through the return of Premier Orlando of Italy, took up the arrangements for presenting the peace terms to the delegates of Austria, Hungary and Bulgaria.

To Help Hunns Pay

It appears probable that the settlement with German-Austria will be the first to be reached. The representatives of that nation are due in France early next week and will be quartered at St. Germain, a suburb of Paris. A forecast of the treaty being drawn for their consideration indicates that German-Austria will be asked to pay a portion of the enemy indemnity, her share being estimated at 5,000,000,000 crowns.

Meanwhile the German home government is expected to begin at once the consideration of the terms of peace which were presented to the German delegates at Versailles on Wednesday and which virtually reduce the German empire to the role of a minor power for a considerable

period. Either the national assembly itself or important committees of it are to take up the question of the peace terms in sessions held at Berlin.

Three Courses Are Open

Three courses seem to be open to the German government, as indicated by recent dispatches. It may either accept the conditions of peace, reject them or submit them to a plebiscite. Some time ago it was reported from Berlin that the machinery to carry out a nationwide election has been prepared and that the people could be called upon to express their desires within 48 hours, in case the government should not care to take the responsibility of meeting the situation now before the country.

Huns Expected to Object

The speech of Count Von Brockdorff-Rantzau, head of the German delegation to the peace congress, in reply to Premier Clemenceau at Versailles yesterday appeared to indicate that Germany meanwhile would prepare objections to some features of the treaty as presented to her delegates, notably with regard to Germany's financial responsibilities and economic position. All the German objections must be submitted in writing within the two weeks' time that her representatives have for examination of the treaty.

Serious Disorders in Peking

Serious disorders are reported to have broken out in Peking as a protest over the action of the Council of Three in awarding to Japan the rights and concessions in Shantung formerly held by the Germans, while the Chinese government, according to Peking advices has decided to instruct its delegation in Paris not to sign the treaty giving Germany rights in Shantung to the Japanese.

WINTER WHEAT FORECAST GROWS

Washington—An increase during April of 60,000,000 bushels in the winter wheat prospective production was shown to-day when the Department of Agriculture announced its forecast for a crop of 899,000,000 bushels based on conditions existing May 1. Prospective rice production was forecast at 127,946,000 bushels, an increase of almost 22,000,000 bushels over the April forecast.

SEAPLANE N. C. 4 HAS ENGINE TROUBLE

Washington — Commander Albert C. Read, of the seaplane N. C. 4, reported to the Navy Department by radio at 2 o'clock through the Chatham, Mass., station that his plane was experiencing engine trouble and might be forced to land.

BRITISH FLYERS STILL WAIT AT ST. JOHNS

St. John's N. F.—Hawker and Raynh, the British aviators awaiting here for favorable opportunity to attempt a trans-Atlantic flight, announced that bad weather conditions would prevent a start to-day.

BOILS SHELL; KILLS SAILOR; WRECKS HOME

Philadelphia—Explosion of a French .75 shrapnel shell which was being boiled to remove its coating of paraffine killed Harry Robbins, 30 years old, seriously injured his young sister and tore away the rear wall of his home. Robbins, a sailor, brought the shell home from a recent trip abroad on a cargo ship.

CHARGES \$25,000,000 FRAUD

New York — Charging George J. Gould, executor and trustee of the estate of his father, Jay Gould, with frauds and violations of the law resulting in the loss to the estate of \$25,000,000, Frank J. Gould, a brother, moved Supreme Court Justice Platzek to remove him from office.

SHOWS CLEMENCY FOR FIFTY

Washington—Fifty more men convicted during the war for violation of the espionage act have been granted clemency by President Wilson on recommendation of Attorney General Palmer.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

Joseph Reaser, McKee's Rocks, and Sadie Newkam, Steelton.